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REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from Oschatz

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- Most of the troops from the barracks installation on Dresdenerstrasse, Oschatz (N 52/E 71), were still at a summer camp. A German employee said that they were expected to return during the second week of October 1950. Increased traffic of supply vehicles was observed in the billeting area on 18 September 1950.

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Staff car
belongs to the commanding officer of the troops rather than to the
Riesa military post commander as was believed before. *

- Motor traffic from the Flughafen Kaserne toward Riesa and the Oschatz freight station increased on 22 September 1950. Vehicles returning from the railroad station carried troops and billeting equipment. A German working in the installation said that the troops belonged to an advance party of the unit which was expected to return.

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- On the morning of 19 September 1950 heavy traffic of sedans and motorcycles toward the barracks on Dresdenerstrasse was observed. About 20 to 25 passenger cars, 2 buses, 10 trucks, and 15 motorcycles were parked at the barracks building near the main gate.

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A sedan, which arrived from the direction of Riesa, was occupied by three generals who were received by a group of field-grade officers. The billeting area on Dresdenerstrasse was cordoned off by military and VP personnel. A personnel carrier with a mounted machine gun ready for firing stood behind the main gate. An officer was observed on the vehicle. It was said that a corps conference was held in the barracks. The officers who attended allegedly left toward Riesa on the morning of 20 September 1950. **

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- On 21 September 1950 50 tanks not belonging to the Oschatz post were loaded on a train at the Oschatz freight station. the train was dispatched toward Riesa.

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* Comment. The report indicates that the component units of the 9th Tank Div from Oschatz were still at the Koenigsbrück or Zeithain troop training grounds on 24 September 1950.

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The statement that the troops were expected to return during the second week of October 1950 is given credence. The increased supply traffic and the arrival of advance parties in the


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Hindenburg Kaserne were indicative of an imminent return of the troops.
**  Comment. Possibly an officers' or commanders' conference of the
First Gds Recn Army.

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